



# THE TOPEKA HOUSING AUTHORITY

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## **Housing Authority to Close Section 8 Program to New Applicants**

The Topeka Housing Authority will stop accepting pre-applications for the Section 8 Rental Assistance program as of 5:00 p.m., Friday, July 30, 2010. The decision to close the waiting list to new applications is based on the determination that an adequate pool of applicants is available for the expected number of families that can be added to the program in coming months.

Applicants included on the current waiting list are those submitting completed pre-applications through July 30, 2010 and who qualify for Topeka Housing Authority's admission preference for working families.

The admission preference for working families includes those whose head of household or spouse is working at a regular job, and families whose head of household, spouse or sole member is disabled, or age 62 or older. A family of four with an annual income below \$30,750 may qualify for rental assistance. For a single person living alone the annual income limit is \$21,550.

To request a pre-application by mail, fax or email call 785 357-8842, Ext.123, or email [smichaels@tha.gov](mailto:smichaels@tha.gov). Applicants may also apply in person at 2010 SE California, Topeka KS 66607. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. except holidays.

To assure that families on the waiting list are served within a reasonable period of time, the Topeka Housing Authority may use a random selection process to determine in what order they will be served. When sufficient funding is available, families will be served on a first-come-first-served basis. Families claiming to qualify for an admission preference will be invited to submit a complete application as their names are drawn from the waiting list.

If a family wishes to stay in their current home or apartment the dwelling must meet housing quality standards, the rent must be reasonable, and the landlord willing to enter into a contract with the Section 8 program. Interested landlords should contact Topeka Housing Authority for more information at 357-8842.

The Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program provides assistance with monthly rent costs to low income working families, with funds provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Topeka's Section 8 Housing Choice Rental Assistance Program currently provides help with monthly rental costs to more than 1,000 Topeka families served by more than 300 private sector landlords.

*No family or individual is denied the equal opportunity to apply for or receive program assistance on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, creed, national or ethnic origin, age, marital status, handicap or disability.*

